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TAGS: PFOR, MARR, KS, SA

SUBJECT: SAUDI ARABIAN APPROACH FOR ROKG TECHNICIANS

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1. RESPONDING TO HIS QUERY TO AMBASSADOR HABIB, I GAVE BLUE HOUSE SECRETARY GENERAL KIM CHONG YOM OUR READING OF PRIVATE SAUDI APPROACH TO ROKG FOR KOREAN EXPERTS TO MAINTAIN AMERICAN MILITARY EQUIPMENT.

2. KIM EXPRESSED APPRECIATION AND SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT CONTINUED TO BE UNDER CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE TO DEMONSTRATE ITS FRIENDSHIP TO ABAB COUNTRIES. HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER THE UNITED STATES WOULD ACTIVELY OPPOSE A KOREAN RESPONSE INDICATING READINESS TO PROVIDE THE TECHNICIANS. DRAWING FROM PARA 2 REFTEL (B), I SAID WE WOULD NOT ENCOURAGE KOREANS TO COMPETE WITH AMERICAN COMPANIES IN THIS FIELD, NOR WOULD WE WISH SAUDIS TO LEARN THAT WE WOULD ACCEPT THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS AS SUBSTITUTES FOR AMERICAN PERSONNEL. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD OUR POSITION.  
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